

**REMARKS**

Applicants would like to thank Examiner Ho for the indication of allowable subject matter recited by claims 3-6 and 13. In response to the Office Action dated September 15, 2004, Applicants have amended Figs. 9-11 so as to include the legend "Prior Art." Applicants have also rewritten claims 3-6 and 13 into independent format. Claims 1-2, 7-12, 14 and 15 are canceled, without prejudice or disclaimer. No new matter has been added.

Having fully responded to all matters raised in the Office Action, Applicants submit that all claims are in condition for allowance, an indication for which is respectfully solicited.

Should there remain any outstanding issues that require adverse action, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone the undersigned attorney below so that such issues may be resolved as expeditiously as possible.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 500417 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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**IN THE DRAWINGS**

Please amend Figs. 9-11 as indicated on the enclosed copies thereof. Figs. 9-11 have been amended to include the legend "Prior Art."